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SUBJECT: MY REACTION WITH CHINESE OFFENSE MINISTERS JUNE

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2. HELD EXCELLENT TALKS YESTERDAY WITH GENR RIAO, CHINESE  
MINISTER OF DEFENSE. WE AGREED COMPLETELY IN OUR GLOBAL  
ASSESSMENTS AND RENG SHOWN GREAT INTEREST IN MOVING  
FORWARD IN U.S. TECHNOLOGY AND MILITARY COOPERATION.

3. INFORMED HIM OF THE PRESIDENT'S DECISION TO EXPAND  
TECHNOLOGY TRANSFERS AND TO POSTPONE ARMS SALES TO CHINA  
ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS, AND GENR EXPRESSED APPRECIATION

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3] PROPOSED THAT VICE  
CHIEF OF THE GENERAL STAFF, GENERAL LIU HUAGUO,  
REVISIT THE U.S. FOR FURTHER DISCUSSIONS OF  
REQUIREMENTS WITH DON IN AUGUST. GPCR AGREED.

A LIST OF THESE ADDITIONAL REQUESTS TODAY.

4. I TOLD RENG OF YOUR INTEREST IN VISITING CHINA  
LATER THIS YEAR OR EARLY NEXT YEAR. THEY HAVE NOT YET  
REPLIED FORMALLY, BUT IN A JUNE 10 MEETING AT THE MNO, THE  
CHINESE TOLD RENG AMITAGE THAT THEY TOOK YOUR OFFER TO  
VISIT AS "GOOD NEWS" AND INQUIRED WHEN YOU MIGHT BE ABLE  
TO COME. (RICH TOLD THEM TOWARD THE END OF 1981 OR VERY  
EARLY IN 1982.) I EXPECT YOU WILL BE HEARING FROM THEM  
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1. SECRET – ENTIRE TEXT
2. HELD EXCELLENT TALKS YESTERDAY WITH GENG BIAO, CHINESE MINISTER OF DEFENSE. HE AGREED COMPLETELY IN OUR GLOBAL ASSESSMENTS AND GENG SHOWED GREAT INTEREST IN MOVING FORWARD IN U.S. TECHNOLOGY AND MILITARY INSTRUCTION.
3. INFORMED HIM OF THE PRESIDENT'S DECISION TO EXPAND TECHNOLOGY TRANSFERS AND TO CONSIDER ARMS SALES TO CHINA ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS, AND GENG EXPRESSED APPRECIATION  
[LINES EXCISED]

[WORDS EXCISED]. I PROPOSED THAT VICE CHIEF OF THE GENERAL STAFF, GENERAL LIU HUAQING, REVISIT THE U.S. FOR FURTHER DISCUSSIONS OF [ILLEG] REQUIREMENTS WITH DOD IN AUGUST. GENG AGREED. [WORDS EXCISED] [WORDS EXCISED] ARMITAGE HAS GIVEN A LIST OF THESE ADDITIONAL REQUESTS TODAY.

4. I TOLD GENG OF YOUR INTEREST IN VISITING CHINA LATER THIS YEAR OR EARLY NEXT YEAR. THEY HAVE NOT YET REPLIED FORMALLY, BUT IN A JUNE 16 MEETING AT THE [ILLEG], THE CHINESE TOLD RICH ARMITAGE THAT THEY TOOK YOUR DESIRE TO VISIT AS "GOOD NEWS" AND INQUIRED WHEN YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO COME. (RICH TOLD THEM TOWARD THE END OF 1981 OR VERY EARLY IN 1982.) I EXPECT YOU WILL BE HEARING FROM THEM SHORTLY.

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